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FEBRUARY REVIEW

Heavy rain was reported throughout the state. Mild to moderate flooding occurred in the western part of the state along the Chehalis, Black and Nisqually Rivers due to the excessive moisture. Temperatures were warmer than usual in eastern Washington and some wind was reported throughout the state. Winter wheat and fall vegetable seed crop damage was reported in Grant county due to extremely low temperatures. Christmas tree growers took advantage of a few nice days to plant trees.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

Commercial cattle slaughter during 2005, for the United States, totaled 32.4 million head, down 1 percent from 2004, with federal inspection comprising 98.3 percent of the total. The average live weight was 1,256 pounds, up 16 pounds from a year ago. Steers comprised 52.8 percent of the total federally inspected slaughter, heifers 30.7 percent, dairy cows 7.1 percent, other cows 7.9 percent, and bulls 1.6 percent. Beef production for the U.S., at 24.8 billion pounds, was slightly higher than the previous year. Red meat production for the United States totaled 45.8 billion pounds in 2005, slightly higher than the previous year. Red meat includes beef, veal, pork, lamb and mutton.

Number & Live weight of Livestock Slaughtered by Species, Washington, 2001-2005

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Annual Total
1,000 Head													
Cattle 1/													
2001	74.4	63.0	68.6	67.1	84.5	86.2	78.7	87.0	62.6	67.0	69.7	68.5	877.3
2002	73.0	60.9	58.7	64.4	71.0	72.6	84.2	81.9	71.6	78.9	68.5	66.8	852.5
2003	69.7	55.0	60.7	71.5	79.0	73.0	69.2	63.9	66.3	72.5	58.6	58.0	797.3
2004	50.7	48.1	49.8	55.0	57.9	62.0	54.6	50.7	48.5	56.3	53.6	56.2	643.3
2005	59.0	61.4	57.5	52.8	58.4	59.0	58.9	71.0	71.7	78.3	77.9	80.3	786.1
1,000 Pounds Live weight													
Cattle 1/													
2001	92,582	77,910	84,012	82,028	103,430	105,745	97,468	109,730	77,993	83,434	88,026	86,246	1,088,605
2002	89,868	72,917	70,687	77,212	85,849	89,672	107,166	103,972	91,461	99,716	87,789	84,696	1,061,005
2003	86,286	67,782	74,229	85,588	95,376	89,048	84,708	78,429	81,915	89,036	73,052	72,260	977,710
2004	62,109	57,830	59,021	64,464	68,884	75,877	68,590	63,902	60,376	70,838	67,406	71,463	790,760
2005	73,727	76,881	71,012	63,800	70,761	73,247	73,962	91,991	93,968	104,424	103,764	105,784	1,003,322
1,000 Pounds													
Commercial Red Meat Production 2/													
2001	57,100	47,900	51,700	50,500	63,600	65,300	60,400	68,300	48,300	51,300	53,700	53,000	671,000
2002	55,100	45,000	43,400	47,300	52,500	55,400	65,900	63,700	55,200	59,600	53,000	51,700	647,900
2003	52,500	41,200	45,300	52,200	58,400	54,800	51,900	48,300	50,300	54,700	44,600	43,900	598,100
2004	38,100	35,500	36,600	39,800	42,800	47,300	42,500	39,300	36,900	43,600	41,500	44,100	487,700
2005	45,000	47,800	44,300	39,600	43,900	45,500	45,700	56,800	57,600	63,800	63,200	64,700	618,000

1/ Includes slaughter in federally inspected and other slaughter plants, but excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

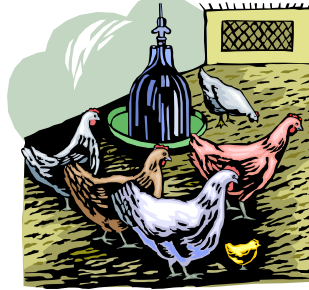
2/ Red meat production includes beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton, excluding farm slaughter.

POULTRY: LAYER & EGG PRODUCTION, JANUARY 2005-2006

State	All Layers 1/		Eggs Per 100 All Layers 1/		Total Eggs Produced		February 1			
							% Being Molted		% With Molt Completed	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	Thousand		Number		Millions		Percent			
California	19,611	19,393	2,239	2,207	439	428	6.0	10.0	34.0	31.0
Oregon	2,924	2,670	2,291	2,322	67	62	6.5	9.5	24.0	32.5
Washington	4,988	4,880	2,265	2,172	113	106	8.0	12.0	37.5	41.0
United States	347,864	349,253	2,192	2,211	7,626	7,721	4.6	5.1	21.7	23.4

1/ Includes all layers and eggs produced in both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size.

2/ Estimates for individual states are not available.



Poultry: Inventory on Farms by Class, December 1, Washington, 2001-2005 1/

Class	2001	2003	2004	2005
Layers on Hand:				
Layers 1 Year and Older	3,120	3,803	2/	2/
Layers 20 Weeks to 1 Year	1,848	1,103	2/	2/
Total Layers	4,968	4,906	4,892	4,873
Pullets, 13 to 20 Weeks	620	631	3/	3/
Pullets, Under 13 Weeks	782	692	3/	3/
Other Chickens	2	1	1	1
All Chickens (Excluding Broilers)	6,372	6,230	5,933	6,066

WASHINGTON AVERAGE NUMBER OF ALL LAYERS						WASHINGTON EGG PRODUCTION				
Month 1/	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
	1,000 Birds					Million Eggs				
December	4,969	5,077	5,084	4,943	4,897	112	117	115	112	115
January	4,996	5,196	4,964	4,930	4,988	111	117	109	107	113
February	4,942	5,118	4,959	4,912	4,997	102	105	98	100	110
March	5,054	5,078	4,954	4,944	4,924	118	118	107	111	119
April	5,028	5,159	4,952	4,901	4,921	113	115	104	110	110
May	4,956	5,191	4,915	4,912	4,978	114	117	107	117	118
June	4,915	5,269	4,860	4,897	4,975	107	116	109	113	111
July	4,842	5,236	4,842	4,849	4,889	111	122	116	110	109
August	4,983	5,195	4,835	4,928	4,851	114	115	115	104	111
September	4,996	5,187	4,874	4,986	4,886	109	105	107	108	109
October	5,066	5,129	4,872	5,017	4,949	115	109	110	123	110
November	5,101	5,157	4,886	4,969	4,915	113	113	110	117	108
Annual Avg	4,987	5,166	4,906	4,832	4,931	-	-	-	-	-
State Total	-	-	-	-	-	1,339	1,369	1,307	1,332	1,343

1/ December 1 previous year to November 30.

2/ Not available due to program change.

3/ Age break-outs for pullets are not available due to program change.

- Not applicable.

PRICES

AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMS FOR FARM PRODUCTS (Dollars/Unit)

Commodity	Unit	Entire Month		Prelim. Feb. 2006	Entire Month		Prelim. Feb. 2006	U.S. Parity Price
		Feb. 2005	Jan. 2006		Feb. 2005	Jan. 2006		
		Washington			United States			
Wheat, All	Bu.	3.64	3.21	3.40	3.36	3.52	3.66	10.40
Wheat, Winter	Bu.	3.53	3.13	3.34	3.27	3.45	3.67	-
Wheat, Spring	Bu.	3.95	3.54	3.65	3.49	3.69	3.70	-
Barley	Bu.	2.07	1.87	2.02	2.31	2.47	2.55	7.22
Corn	Bu.	-	-	-	1.95	2.00	2.01	7.72
Oats	Bu.	-	-	-	1.67	1.73	1.78	4.29
Lentils	Cwt.	-	-	-	13.80	11.10	10.60	-
Chickpeas, All	Cwt.	-	-	-	29.20	29.00	25.10	-
Dry Edible Beans	Cwt.	-	-	-	27.80	19.30	19.70	54.50
Dry Edible Peas	Cwt.	-	-	-	6.03	4.85	4.92	-
Potatoes, All	Cwt.	5.45	6.80	6.30	5.79	7.07	6.97	16.00
Potatoes, Processing	Cwt.	5.25	5.75	-	5.30	5.69	-	-
Hay, All (baled) 1/	Tons	105.00	112.00	114.00	88.20	91.20	95.00	-
Alfalfa (baled) 1/	Tons	100.00	110.00	110.00	94.00	95.60	99.20	-
Other Hay (baled) 1/	Tons	115.00	120.00	125.00	74.20	79.30	83.20	-
Hops	Lbs.	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.79
Apples, Fresh 2/	Lbs.	0.203	0.258	0.258	0.203	0.260	0.259	0.524
Beef Cattle	Cwt.	-	-	-	88.80	95.10	92.60	191.00
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	-	-	-	93.10	102.00	98.10	-
Calves	Cwt.	-	-	-	129.00	141.00	142.00	266.00
Milk Cows 3/	Head	-	1,850.00	-	-	1,840.00	-	-
Broilers, live 4/	Lbs.	-	-	-	0.430	0.380	0.380	-
Eggs, Market 1/	Doz.	0.430	0.490	0.340	0.358	0.438	0.301	1.77
Milk, All Wholesale 5/ 6/	Cwt.	15.20	14.40	13.60	15.50	14.50	13.80	38.20
Hogs, All	Cwt.	-	-	-	50.70	40.70	41.20	116.00
Sheep	Cwt.	-	-	-	52.40	47.70	-	94.90
Lambs	Cwt.	-	-	-	114.00	96.10	-	231.00

1/ All prices are mid-month estimates.

2/ Equivalent packinghouse door returns for apples for CA, MI, NY, and WA. Prices as sold for other states.

3/ Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only. Prices available for January, April, July, and October.

4/ Equivalent live weight returns to producers for most states. Includes growers and contractors.

5/ February 2006 fat test percent was 3.68 for all milk.

6/ Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

Bees and Honey: Number of Colonies, Production, Stocks, & Value, 2004-2005 1/

State & Year	Honey Producing Colonies	Yield Per Colony	Production	Stocks December 15 2/	Average Price Per Pound 3/	Value of Production
	1,000	Pounds	1,000 Pounds		Cents	1,000 Dollars
California						
2004	390	45	17,550	5,792	101	17,726
2005	400	75	30,000	9,300	84	25,200
Idaho						
2004	100	63	6,300	2,520	99	6,237
2005	95	37	3,515	1,793	80	2,812
Montana						
2004	140	77	10,780	3,773	105	11,319
2005	130	67	8,710	3,136	80	6,968
Oregon						
2004	42	54	2,268	1,111	121	2,744
2005	39	42	1,638	557	108	1,769
Washington						
2004	56	63	3,528	1,376	98	3,457
2005	51	55	2,805	1,935	106	2,973
U.S. Total 4/						
2004	2,556	71.8	183,582	61,222	106.9	196,259
2005	2,410	72.5	174,643	62,406	90.4	157,795

1/ For producers with five or more colonies. Colonies which produced honey in more than one State were counted in each State.

2/ Stocks held by producers.

3/ Prices weighted by sales.

4/ Total colonies multiplied by total yield may not exactly equal production. U. S. value of production is U.S. production multiplied by U.S. price per pound.

